

NEW CHIEFS

JULIUS M. BALDWIN

Junction City Police Department

Julius Baldwin was appointed chief of the Junction City Police Department on Dec. 29, 2010. Baldwin began his law enforcement career with the Junction City police and has served the Boyle County Sheriff's Office and the Lancaster Police Department. He also served three years as chief of the Perryville Police Department. Baldwin has 19 years of law enforcement experience. Since taking office, Baldwin has put to use the mobile data terminals. He hopes to continue to update equipment through the use of technology. Baldwin said the use of MDTs has created a partnership between surrounding departments within the county, working toward a great rapport. His long-term goals are to add more staff and training for his officers.

DREW WOODS

Benham Police Department

Drew Woods was appointed chief of the Benham Police Department on March 25. Woods has more than two years of law enforcement experience with Benham, moving through the ranks to become chief. He graduated from Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College with an associate's degree in criminal justice and graduated from the Department of Criminal Justice Basic Training Class No. 421. Woods will seek grant money to enhance the department with better equipment and training for his officers, creating a safer environment.

KENNY RALEIGH

Cumberland Police Department

Kenny Raleigh was appointed chief of the Cumberland Police Department on May 10. Raleigh has more than eight years of law enforcement experience. He began his law enforcement career at the Benham Police Department, and while serving the Evarts Police Department graduated from the Department of Criminal Justice Basic Training Class No. 357. Raleigh also served the Letcher County Sheriff's Office for two years. He graduated from Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College with an associate's degree in criminal justice and is active in the National Guard. Since taking office, he has added more staff and looks forward to making the Cumberland Police Department the best law enforcement agency in Kentucky.

JAMES SMITH

Springfield Police Department

James Smith was appointed chief of the Springfield Police Department on June 1. Smith began his law enforcement career with the West Buechel Police Department and has 26 years of law enforcement experience. He served the Mount Washington Police Department and retired from there as an assistant chief before coming to Springfield. In 2007 he was assigned to the state police drug task force. Smith graduated from the University of Louisville with a bachelor's degree in history and associate's degree in criminal justice. His long-term goals are to continue to combat the on-going drug issue and improve officer morale through pay, advancing

technology and training, while still cutting back the budget. Smith's main goal is to move towards community-oriented policing and go back to foot patrol in the city and in the schools. He looks forward to seeing Springfield enjoy the pace of a nice, small town in the future.

WILLIAM V. SHIFFLETT

Russellville Police Department

William Shifflett was appointed chief of the Russellville Police Department on August 2. Shifflett began his law enforcement career in 1993 with the Russellville police, moving through the ranks to become chief. He graduated from Western Kentucky University with a bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary studies and from the Department of Criminal Justice Basic Training Class No. 225. Shifflett says his department is in great shape and will focus on community-oriented policing by providing seminars for the community to instill the basic knowledge of crime prevention.

CHRISTOPHER FULTZ

Manchester Police Department

Christopher Fultz was appointed chief of the Manchester Police Department on April 18. Fultz began his law enforcement career at the Manchester Police Department and served the Operation UNITE Drug Task Force and the ATF Task Force for three years. He has 11 years of law enforcement experience. His primary goal is to implement community-oriented policing, provide his officers with the best equipment possible and provide for and protect the citizens of Manchester and Clay County.

TRACY SCHILLER

Elizabethtown Police Department

Tracy Schiller was appointed chief of the Elizabethtown Police Department on August 15. Schiller began his law enforcement career with the Plantation Police Department in 1978. He served the Shelbyville Police Department and the Louisville Police Department before retiring in 2003 from the Louisville Metro Police Department. Schiller served the Regional Community Policing Institute for six years before being named chief of Elizabethtown. He graduated from the University of Louisville with a bachelor's degree in justice administration, from the Southern Police Institute AOC Class No. 65 and the FBI National Academy 200th session. Schiller would like to build upon the good reputation of the department. He also would like to increase and focus on data information. At this early stage of his tenure, he is getting input from his staff in hopes to move forward and do better.

TIMOTHY THAMES

Elsmere Police Department

Timothy Thames was appointed chief of the Elsmere Police Department on August 15. Thames began his law enforcement career with the Erlanger Police Department, retiring as captain in 2010. He has more than 25 years of law enforcement experience. Thames graduated from the Southern Police Institute AOC Class No. 104. His primary goal is to pursue accreditation through KACP.